Introduced by Assembly Member Matthews

February 14, 2003

An act to amend Section 65891.10 of the Government Code, relating to economic development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 437, as introduced, Matthews. Inter-Regional Partnership State Pilot Project: local jurisdictions.

Existing law establishes the Inter-Regional Partnership (IRP) as a state-supported pilot project, monitored by the Department of Housing and Community Development, to test and evaluate a variety of policies and incentives designed to mitigate current and future imbalances of jobs and housing in the Counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, San Joaquin, and Stanislaus.

The IRP provides for the creation of not less than 5 nor more than 10 official IRP Jobs-Housing Opportunity Zones within the 5 IRP counties to encourage, among other things, development along corridors served by transit and near transit stations. No local jurisdiction is required to participate in the pilot project and the IRP requires that these provisions have no fiscal impact on any local jurisdiction.

This bill would delete the provisions that the IRP have no fiscal impact on any local jurisdiction and would instead require that local jurisdictions within the 5 IRP counties and a Jobs-Housing Opportunity Zone that participate in the pilot project be given priority eligibility in the award of state competitive grants and other economic incentives for projects within the IRP pilot project area.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 65891.10 of the Government Code is 1 amended to read:
- 3 65891.10. (a) No local jurisdiction shall be required to participate in the pilot project. This article shall have no fiscal impact on any local jurisdiction. 5
- (b) Local jurisdictions within the five Inter-Regional Partnership (IRP) counties and a Jobs-Housing Opportunity Zone 7 that participate in the pilot project shall be given priority eligibility in the award of state competitive grants, including, but 10 not limited to, infrastructure, commercial and industrial development, other economic development, and grants and other 12 incentives awarded pursuant to the Jobs-Housing Balance
- 13 Improvement Program (Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section
- 50540) of Division 1 of Title 5), for projects within the IRP pilot